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What Is Wanted

Down in old New York there
is a political organization known
as Tammany Hall. As a matter
of fact, the Tammany Society is
a beneficiary organization that
has existed for over a century. Its
sachems figured largely in politics
and after a time they were the
Democratic leaders of New York
city and county. Occasionally
New York City went Republican
but that made no difference to
the Tammany Society which
went right ahead with its bene-
ficiary work. Its coherent, com-
prehensive and cohesive organi-
zation held its membership intact
and, as a rule, Tammany was sure
to be restored to power.

It has happened that Tammany
had leaders. This is true of
every organization in the world.
There was a Judas in the Twelve
Apostles. But the percentage of
real Tammany leaders who have
been convicted of crime is far
less than similar convictions of
men outside Tammany.

But Tammany is always made
the target of the reformer, the
cartoonist and the political phar-
isee.

Why? Possibly, because it is
successful. Success always in-
cites envy and resentment on the
part of those less fortunate.

There is another reason, how-
ever. Tammany, of late, has been
led by men of Irish name and ex-
traction. Most of them risen by
sheer, persistent effort from the
ranks. This inspires hatred from
the bigots and those Irish-Amer-
icans who have attained a com-
petence and are two or three
generations removed from their
immigration ancestors, are prone
to look down upon the self-made
man. They think the leader
should be of "our own set and
level." Whether they say so or
not, these prefer "Bryan" to
"O'Brien"; "Mae" to "Mary";
"Murphy" to "Murphy"; "Dud-
ley" to "Michael" or "John."

They cut off the "O" as a token
of their superior breeding, not
knowing poor ignorant fools, that
the aldermen to enact regulations
"The O'Connors," for example,
were the real aristocrats of the
old Irish race.

Such as we have mentioned are
mortified that a Charles F. Mur-
phy should be leader of Tam-
many, but would welcome a Sen-
ator O'Gorman in his stead, al-
beit the latter is just as typical a
Tammany product as is Mr. Mur-
phy. The bigots would reorganize
Tammany without an Irish lead-
er. They care not that the only
Tammany leader of recent years
who was not an Irishman, Lewis
Nixon, at once an aristocrat and
an American was an utter fail-
ure.

There's the trouble in a nut-
shell. If Charles F. Murphy's
name were Jameson, or Fergu-
son or Johnson and he wore a
"32 degree pin" he would be
hailed as the most remarkable
leader of a century. But his name
is Murphy, therefore the "hard
shells on the hills and off the
beaten track" and "the blue-no-
ses in the cities" unite in scath-
ing denunciation of the man they

only know through cartoons and
yellow journal editorials!
Queer, is it not?

The Lesson

One regrettable feature of last
week's election is the prosperity,
if one may so term it, of the peo-
ple of the state of New York to
permit mouthy demagogues and
arrant hypocrites to delude them
into the belief that these self-ad-
vertisers are the salt of the earth.

Now, we are not throwing
rocks at advertisers and adver-
tisements. We use them and need
them in our business. But the
fake advertiser is not wanted or
tolerated in the newspaper of-
fices. Honesty is demanded now-
adays in advertising. But it seems
to be overlooked in the candidate
for office by otherwise well-bal-
anced persons. These seem unable
to discern between froth and sub-
stance and the result is that the
latter-day crop of public men is
composed of some weird and won-
derful specimens of mental archi-
tecture.

Many a citizen who would
make an admirable public official
cannot be persuaded to enter a
political race because he fears his
family will be maligned and him-
self made out a blackguard or
worse by the harpies who make
a speciality of traducing public
officials or candidates for public
office. This is just what the mob
now seeking to revolutionize men
and morals and who sneer at tra-
dition and fixed institutions; who
would abolish marriage as a sacra-
ment and fling reverence for
things holy and respect for gray
hairs to the four winds.

Let us hope that the era of
frenzy will soon pass.

Tolerance Needed

Discussion over proposed re-
vision of the automobile ordi-
nances has developed a regrettable
acrimonious spirit when a toler-
ance and a give-and-take spirit
should prevail.

It may as well be conceded at
the outset that both pedestrians
and motorists have rights and
that neither is entitled to a mon-
opoly in the streets. It must also
be conceded that there are
careless pedestrians and reck-
less motorists. If each side claims
monopoly of the streets and each
holds that the ordinance must be
drawn to favor their exclusively
we shall never get anywhere.

In our opinion, the careful mo-
torists are largely in the major-
ity and wish to avoid accidents.
They should assert themselves
and not permit the entire body of
motorists to be represented by
those who insist that the pedes-
trians and the general public
have practically whatever no-
rights on the streets. If this is
permitted, there will come a day
when the pedestrians and street
car passengers who constitute a
large part of the public at large,
will rise in their right and force
the aldermen to enact regulations
which will constitute positive
hardship on the careful motor-
ists.

A little common sense, a little
recognition of "the other fel-
low's rights", will aid greatly in
solution of a vexatious controver-
sy.

Thank fortune, election is over.

The Catholic Journal extends
congratulations to Judge William
E. Wagner upon his election to be
Chief Judge of the Court of Ap-
peals for fourteen years.

Colonel Roosevelt is "interest-
ed" in the success of the fusion
ticket in New York city but he
was not home to vote for it.

A recent government survey
disproves the report that Pike's
Peak is sinking.

It is a difficult task to be pres-
ident of the United States but,
we fancy, that it is easier than
being president of Mexico.

The principal ingredient in luck is
common sense.

Is the germ laden letter to replace
the infernal machine?

United States firemen are the best.
But United States fires are the worst.

The talk of cutting Mexico in two
should be stopped. One Mexico is
enough.

When is an algeret not an algeret?
Answer from incoming steamers:
"Never!"

Huerta must be wondering what sort
of a pull Mrs. Pankhurst has with
President Wilson.

A hen in an agricultural college in
Oregon has laid 283 eggs in a year.
Notes for chickens!

A husband should have an unlimited
bank account in order to check his
wife's expensive tastes.

It makes a man feel awfully old to
find out that his daughter's beau never
finds of detachable cuffs.

With a hard winter ahead, explorers
can't make us enthuse over the discov-
ery of a new land in the arctic.

The woman who says that love never
lasts more than five years must be get-
ting ready to write the story of her
life.

Kissing may be unhealthful, but if
somebody ought to explain how it
happens there are so many plump
girls.

An English court has decided that
blissing an actor is just as legal as up-
braiding him. And frequently more
sincere.

If domestic help gets any career
there is going to be a tremendous
boom in paper dishes, napkins and ta-
blecloths.

Paderewski's recent attack of grip
cost him \$20,000, says an exchange. A
lot of us can suffer just as much for
less money.

In England the difference between a
house and a manor depends altogether
upon whether it has been burned down
by militants.

The Tylonchus devastatrix is said to
be threatening the unions. Sounds
dangerous, but it had better keep to
the windward.

Leaders in New York society who
have undertaken the uplift of the sav-
age Moros will do well to leave their
dances behind.

A British scientist has all but com-
pleted a plan for making gold. Noth-
ing doing. This side of the pond has
been worked already.

Ships' hulls and household furniture
and even church bells are successfully
made of concrete. But the line should
be drawn at concrete brains.

An Algerian aviator ascended 2,000
feet and then shot himself. It is dif-
ficult to say why he didn't keep on as-
cending and let nature take its course.

If the present generation of girls has
cultivated the physique of an inter-
rogation point, what the dickens will
the next generation of girls resemble?

The use of finger bowls, it is said,
is being discontinued in some of the
larger fashionable hotels in Chicago.
Are they going back to the old fashion
ed look?

President Yuan declines to adopt or-
iental dress. In one way he is to be
congratulated. Being president, he
would be compelled to wear a stove
pipe hat.

The French government is encour-
aging the manufacture of snarekrait.
Looks like the first move in the long
promised campaign to win back Al-
sace-Lorraine.

A husband has no right to open his
wife's letters nor has a wife the right
to open her husband's, says an eastern
exchange, thus further complicating
domestic possibilities.

The fact that taking bichloride of
mercury is one of the most terrible
methods of suicide does not prevent it
from becoming in some mysterious
way the most popular.

Wireless apparatus on shipboard and
steel railroad cars are adding to the
accumulations of the life insurance
companies and interfering with the
profits of the matseolum builders.

Baseball may be no faster than it
was twenty-five years ago, but it has
shown great improvement in other re-
spects. There was a time when the
greatest shortstop in the country wore
slide whiskers.

It is estimated that John D. Rocke-
feller's income rolls in at the rate of
\$10.20 a minute, and the beauty of it,
from Rockefeller's standpoint, as com-
pared with that of the average stage
str. is that he gets it.

Foreign yachts may come in free of
duty if they are big enough to sail
across the Atlantic, but if they come
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shall see how small a vessel men will
dare to sail across the ocean.

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sure a Godsend for me and therefore
cannot praise it enough.—Walter Heard.

Wendell
Grandview, N. J., Wash., Aug., 1912.
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